CRAIG INTERAGENCY DISPATCH CENTER 2004 YEAR END REPORT

The dispatch area experienced a rather slow fire season this past year, which actually was very fortunate for the center due to staffing issues and the move of the dispatch center the first of June. Fire season in the Northwest Fire Management Unit was below normal statistically with 210 fires for approximately 9900 acres. The first wildfire of the season came on February 25th on the forest. It was a human start off of one of the runs at the Steamboat Ski Area, which resulted in a couple of trees torching out. The last fire of the season occurred on October 6th. The dispatch center experienced 33 multiple fire days with the most fires in one day being 18.

The dispatch center supported 4 type 3 incidents, 18 prescribed fires, and 10 Wildfire Use fires (approx. 8900 ac.), one of which decided to make a 7000 acre run the same afternoon the dispatch center was being moved. Even though it was a slow season - it had its moments of intensity.

Mobilization of resources out of the dispatch area was minimal due to the rest of the country also experiencing a quieter than normal season (with the exception of Alaska). There were mobilizations of resources to the hurricane disasters in the SE part of the country later in the season.

Due to the lack of heavy air tankers an additional SEAT was positioned at Craig on National Severity and a type 3 helicopter on local severity.

The dispatch center was staffed with the Assistant Center Manager (acting as Center Manager), 1 PFT, 1 Career Seasonal, 1 Seasonal and an AD (during fire activity). Vacancies included 1 PFT, and 1 Seasonal. The Center Manager was on a detail for the duration of the fire season and was unavailable for most of it.

517 Incident Actions were processed this past year which included wildfire suppression, prescribed fire support, wildfire use support, all risk incidents, burned area rehabilitation, flight following for the regional bug flight, public assists, and 22 flight requests.

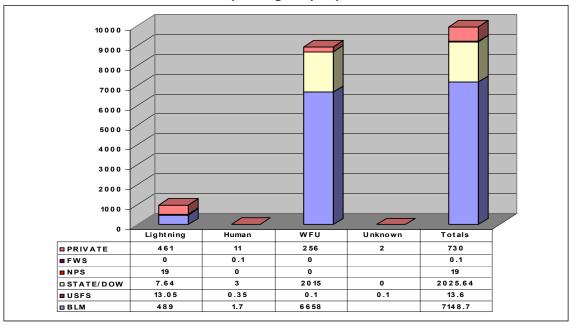
2004 CRC Fire Statistics

Cause		BLM	USFS		NF	ès	FW	' 5	Sto	ate/DOW	Priv	vate		Totals
	#	Ac	#	Ac	#	Ac	#	Ac	#	Ac	#	Ac	#	Ac
Human	2	6	3	1	1	0	1	0	1	3	3	2	11	12
Lightning RX	135 9	489 1474	8 4	13 1218	5	19 732			6	7 15	18	461 45	172 14	989 3484
Mech.													0	0
WFU	5	6658.1								2015		256	5	8929.1
Totals	151	8627.1	15	1232	7	751	1	0	8	2040	21	764	203	13414.1

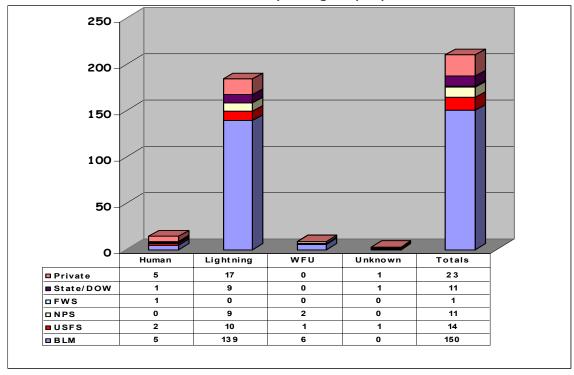
BLM Fire Statistics by Unit

Cause	WRD		LSD			KRD	Totals	
	#	Ac	#	Ac	#	Ac	#	AC
Human	2	6	0	0	0	0	2	6
Lightning	70	54	62	431	3	4	135	489
RX	4	618	4	306	1	550	9	1474
Mechanical	1	500	6	869			7	1369
WFU	4	6612	2	46	0	0	6	6658
Totals	81	7790	74	1652	4	554	159	9996

Acres per Agency by Cause



Number of Fires per Agency by Cause



In comparison to 2003, the unit managed fewer fire use incidents that burned more acres in total. Two WFU's required National teams for their management, Greasewood for about ten days and Oil Springs for about six days. The Cross fire was managed as a limited suppression incident rather than fire use, but only daily monitoring and mapping work was done on it. Approximately 3,200 acres of the Greasewood fire was seeded in November, as well as all 273 acres of the Beefsteak fire. Mark Rosenthal and Mark Cahur were both certified as FUMA2's during the course of the season.

The unit had a number of fuels management projects occurring throughout the year. Contract and force account work was accomplished on mechanical treatment portions of these projects and prescribed burning was accomplished by force account laborers. The highlight of the prescribed burning work was the re-introduction of prescribed fire on the Kremmling Field Office with the Inspiration Point burn. It had been about 10 years since any prescribed burning had been done on this Field Office.

2004 Wildland Fire Use Projects

Incident		BLM		USFS	NPS	State/	Private	Start Date	Out Date
Name	LSD	WRD	KRD			DOW	.,,,,	Su .s	Sais
Greasewood		5,544				2,015	256	3-Jun	28-Jul
Cross	45							6-Jun	16-Jun
Plug Hat		0.1						14-Jun	17-Jun
Chex		0.1						27-Jun	7-Jul
Oil Springs		796						6-Jul	14-Aug
Little Bear				0.1				16-Jul	3-Aug
Laddie					0.1			17-Jul	20-Jul
Long Day					0.1			22-Jul	24-Jul
Wild Cow	1							22-Jul	6-Aug
Beafsteak		273						24-Jul	21 - Aug

Total

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2004 Fuels Projects

Project Name		BLM			USFS		NPS	FWS	State/ DOW	Private
	Mech	Burn	Total	Mech	Burn	Total				
Dry Lake 5 RX			0	50	95	145				
Pearl Park			0		0	0	1300			
Wolf Ridge RX		550	550		0	0				
Jack Springs		40	40		0	0				
Douglas Mtn.	52	30	82		0	0				
Five Springs	550		550		0	0				
Upper Browns										
Draw		326	326		0	0				
Middle Mtn.	45		45		0	0				
Greystone	5		5		0	0				
Stagecoach	4		4		0	0				
Lower Conway	213		213		0	0				
Rye Grass			0			0		73		
Iron Horse Piles			0		223	223				
Lester Piles			0		84	84				
High Rock Piles			0		129	129				
Vista Piles			0		26	26				
Powerline	308	100	408			0				
Dark Canyon	324		324			0				
NATEC	45	15	60							
Inspiration Point		550	550							
Dunning Creek	200		200							
Lower green										
creek	225		225							
Owl Mtn.	139		139							
Gould Fuels				42		42				
Lonespring					10	10				
Lower Trout					400	400				
Red Dirt Fuels				50		50				
Stagecoach				109	279	388				
Slaughter Cabin							1			
CG Cheat Grass			0			0	2			
Totals			3721			1497	1303	73		

Sum Total
Total Burn
Acreage
4233

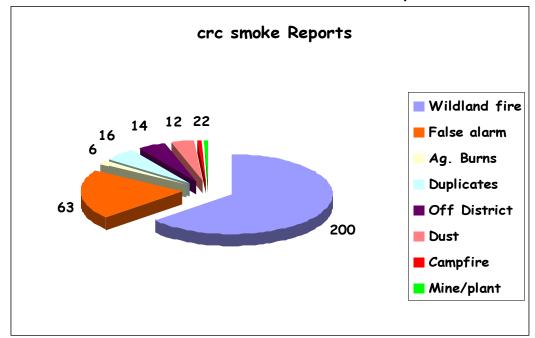


Greasewood Fire

2004 Large Fire Summary

					State		
Incident	Start	Cause	Final	Agency	&	Team	Team
Name	Date		Acreage		Unit	Name	Type
					CO-		WFU
Greasewood	6/3/2004	L	7,815	BLM	WRD	Cook	T-2
					CO-		WFU
Oilsprings	7/6/2004	L	795	BLM	WRD	Weldon	T-2
					CO-		
Bay	7/7/2004	L	80	BLM	LSD	Beckerman	Type-3
						Rosenthal	
					CO-		WFU
Beefsteak	7/24/2004	L	273	BLM	WRD	Rogers	T-3
						Oxford	
					CO-		
Lay Peak	7/31/2004	L	200	BLM	LSD	Simpson	Type-3
						Grettenberg	
					CO-		
Sheep Ranch	9/13/2004	L	791	BLM	LSD	Hutton	Type-3

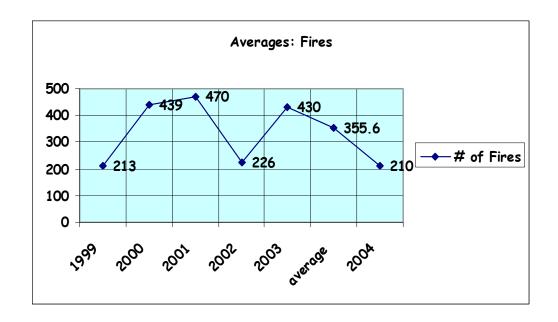
2004 Incident Action Summary

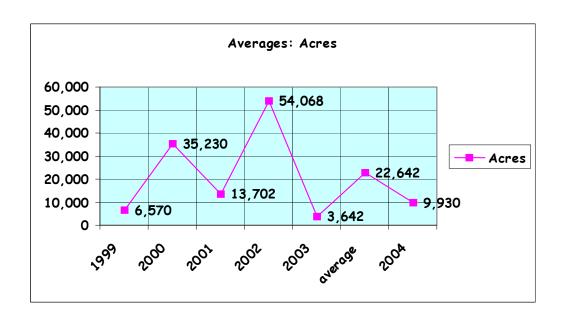




Beefsteak Fire

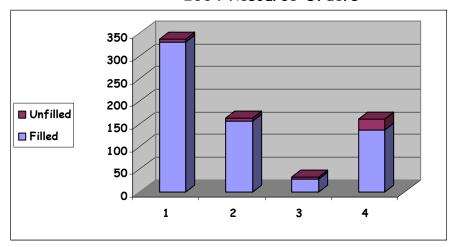
5 - Year Averages: Fires and Acres





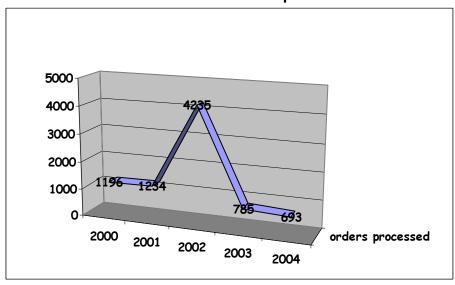
CRC Resource Order Statistics

2004 Resource Orders



	Overhead	Equipment	Crews	Aircraft
Unfilled	6	5	5	24
Filled	331	157	28	137

Resource Order Requests Processed



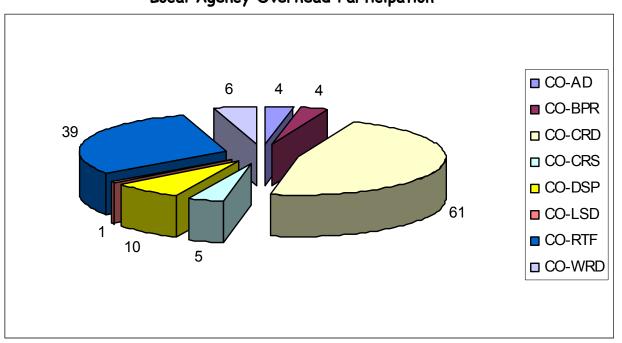
Year	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Total	1196	1234	4235	785	693

2004 Resource Order Statistics Workload By Unit (including UTF's and CX)

	WRD	LSD	KRD	RTF	DSP	BPR	CRC	Counties/ State	Totals
Overhead	10	7		25	8	4	64	5	123
Crews							21		21
Equipment	5	9		3	3	3	20	10	53
Aircraft									0
Totals	15	16	0	28	11	7	105	15	197

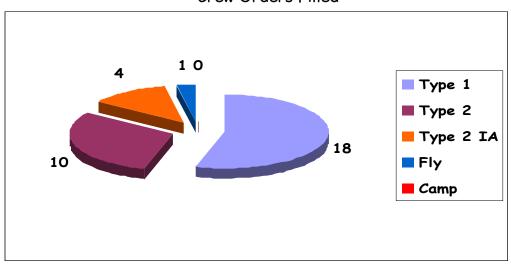
Overhead Summary

Local Agency Overhead Participation



Crew Summary

Crew Orders Filled



66 Crew Orders were processed

	Local	Regional	National	Totals
Type 1	8	5	5	18
Type 2	10	0	0	10
Type 2 IA	2	1	1	4
Fly	1	0	0	1
Camp	0	0	0	0
Totals	21	6	6	33



Historical Crew Usage within CRC Zone (Includes Local and Visiting Crews, Type 1 & 2)

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	Number of	Number of
Year	Crews	Days
1995	10	40
1996	37	146
1997	1	5
1998	17	83
1999	23	Not Available
2000	71	228
2001	93	342
2002	135	1051
2003	30	85
2004	33	95

Craig Interagency Hotshots

The Craig Interagency Hotshots spent 61 days on 17 fire assignments. There were six out-of region, five regional and six local assignments.

Yampa Valley Interagency Type 2 Crew

The Yampa Valley Interagency type 2 crew was on 8 fire assignments for 57 days worked. They were on one national, one interregional and six local assignments.

Equipment Summary

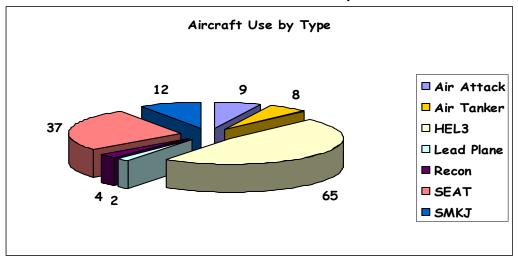
53 Engine Orders were Filled and 18 Water Tender Orders were Filled

Local Engines Sent Off District

Hama Huis	Fusins #	Ordered	Davis Assistant
Home Unit	Engine #	То	Days Assigned
CO-BPR	E-681	UT-VLD	1
CO-CRD	E-612	SD-BKF	6
CO-CRD	E-613	SD-BKF	6
CO-BPR	E-681	NE-CLR	12
CO-BPR	E-681	UT-VLD	5
CO-RTF	E-618	TX-TXF	32
CO-RTF	E-617	WY-MB2	1
			42
CO-CRD	E-612/613	SD-BKF	*Crew Rotated



2004 Aircraft Summary



Type	Quantity
Air Attack	9
Air Tanker	8
HEL3	65
Lead Plane	2
Recon	4
SEAT	37
SMKJ	12

Historical SEAT Usage

1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
4	5	5	19	50	55	37

25,243 Gallons of retardant was used on the District in 2004.